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JACKSONVILLE AND OCALA MEN AMONG TWELVE DEFENDANTS CHARGED IN DRUG INDICTMENT

Jacksonville, Florida - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces the unsealing of an indictment charging:

Huber Dominguez-Diaz (50, Ocala, Florida)

Agustin Santos Garcia (36, Ocala, Florida)

Ernesto Avila-Carrillo (25, Fairfield, Florida)

Francisco Avila-Carrillo (23, Fairfield, Florida)

Jason Lawrence Israel (31, Jacksonville, Florida)

Pernell Fitzgerald Singleton, Jr. (27, Jacksonville, Florida)

Irvin Bernard Ashley (35, Jacksonville, Florida)

Marcus Deberry (35, Valdosta, Georgia)

Demetri Laurent (34, Valdosta, Georgia)

Brian Griffin (21, Valdosta, Georgia)

Brian Jamain Graham (32, Ocala, Florida)

Pedro Vasquez (33, Ocala, Florida)

with conspiracy to distribute at least five kilograms cocaine and conspiracy to distribute marijuana and oxycodone. In addition to the conspiracy charges, Ernesto Avila-Carrillo is

charged with one count of distributing at least five kilograms of cocaine and one count of distributing at least five hundred grams cocaine; Francisco Avila-Carrillo is charged with distributing at least five kilograms of cocaine; Jason Lawrence Israel, Pernell Fitzgerald Singleton, Jr. and Irvin Bernard Ashley are charged with possessing at least five kilograms of cocaine with the intent to distribute it; Marcus Deberry, Demetri Laurent, and Brian Griffin are charged with possessing 500 grams of cocaine with the intent to distribute it. Each of the nineteen defendants faces a minimum mandatory term of ten years and up to life in federal prison.

According to the indictment, from March 2010 through June 24, 2010, the defendants conspired to distribute cocaine, marijuana, and oxycodone via a route stretching from the Rio Grande River Valley, Tamaulipas, Mexico through Weslaco, Texas and then north central Florida. During the more than three month investigation into the conspiracy, the Drug Enforcement Administration seized approximately nine and a half kilograms of cocaine and more than \$328,000.00. On Wednesday of this week the twelve indicted defendants were arrested. Agents also seized three vehicles, more than 30 firearms, \$40,000 in cash, 1.5 kilograms of cocaine, and more than 20 pounds of marijuana.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed a violation of the federal criminal laws, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration. It is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney A. Tysen Duva.